

this is wrong. it feels like the Russia we learned about in school in the fifties. Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media giants who won too many stations.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for them- which is always the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. instead of leading with what bleeds and trying to manipulate the public with their slick pieces produced at their corporate headquarters, local relevant issues should be the main target. i mean it is local news and should inform and uplift.

Sinclair's actions show why a priority should be to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. it may be cost effective to do it this way but is isn't serving the public it is supposed to serve. Thank you.